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Docket No. H 4024 PCT/US

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

RE: PCT/EP00/07496  
International Filing Date: August 3, 2000  
Priority Date Claimed: August 11, 1999  
Applicant: Roessler, et al.  
Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING ESTERS FROM UNSATURATED  
CARBOXYLIC ACIDS AND POLYHYDRIC ALCOHOLS  
Applicants' Reference: H 4024 PCT/US

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Prior to the calculation of fees and examination of the above-identified national stage application pursuant to the accompanying submission under 35 U.S.C. §371, please amend the English translation of the International Application submitted herewith, without prejudice, as follows:

**In the Specification:**

Please amend the instant Specification, without prejudice, as follows:

Please delete all text above line 10 of page 1, including the heading "Prior Art", and replace the deleted matter with the following new section headings and title of the invention:

**--TITLE OF THE INVENTION**

Processes for Producing Esters of Unsaturated Carboxylic Acids and  
Polyhydric Alcohols With Limited Polymerization, and Apparatus Therefor

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--**